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TITLE OF INVENTION: LEAD SCREW AND GEAR BOX FOR USE WITH A MOTORIZED ADJUSTABLE SEAT BACK AND EXHIBITING A NUT AND NYLON SPACER BUSHING IN ABUTTING ENGAGEMENT WITH A SLOTTED CATCHER BRACKET FOR PREVENTING END-PLAY OF THE LEAD SCREW AS WELL AS BUZZ, SQUEAK AND RATTLE IN TENSILE AND COM

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